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HUDSON, MA — Today, the Baker-Polito Administration announced the awarding of \$6,896,286 in Workforce Training Fund Program (WTFP) Grants to businesses for incumbent worker training projects across the Commonwealth. The mission of the WTFP is to promote job growth, job retention, and increased opportunity for workers by increasing business productivity, competitiveness, and the ability to do business in Massachusetts.

“We are excited to see these funds put to work helping to create around 400 new jobs and providing additional skills to over 4,500 workers that will help spur personal and economic growth for our families and communities,” said **Governor Charlie Baker**.

“Workforce Training Fund grantees have added jobs at more than double the statewide average. The 68 companies receiving grants today are helping to close high demand skills gaps in the Commonwealth and are providing their employees with the skills and training they need to thrive in the 21st century economy,” said **Lieutenant Governor Karen Polito**.

The Workforce Training Fund provides grants of up to \$250,000 to companies in Massachusetts to pay for employee training over a two-year period.

The **Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development, Rosalin Acosta**, noted, “These grants have been particularly effective at helping our manufacturing sector, which in 2017 added jobs for the first time in 17 years, as well as industries like Professional, Business, and Scientific Services, which gained 46,900 jobs since 2015.”

The Workforce Training Fund is a program of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development and is administered by Commonwealth Corporation, a quasi-public state agency that fosters partnerships between industry, education, and workforce organizations.

“At Commonwealth Corporation we have the distinct honor of working with some of the most innovative groups of employers in Massachusetts. These grantees are helping to ensure that our state remains not just the most educated but also the best trained workforce in the country,” said **Commonwealth Corporation President J.D. LaRock**.

The announcement was made at New City Microcreamery, a recent grantee which was selected for this event for their dedication to revitalizing downtown Hudson and their innovative use of Open Books Solutions as a means to higher quality jobs in the culinary industry. **Jason Kleinerman, Co-Owner of New City Microcreamery and Less Than Zero**, remarked, “The Workforce Training Fund Program provides an opportunity to increase the financial and business skills of our team. We are confident it will result in increased profits and more opportunity for our employees. It will also help to grow the impact we are making on our community and the lives of our employees.”

Since the beginning of the Baker-Polito Administration, the Workforce Training Fund has awarded more than 470 grants totaling over \$47.7 million to train more than 34,000 workers from over 600 different Massachusetts businesses. This is expected to result in over 4,000 new jobs.

The Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development and Commonwealth Corporation hopes to encourage businesses to address workforce training needs through the Workforce Training Fund Program. Interested parties are encouraged to visit WorkforceTrainingFund.org to learn more.

The following is a complete list of the grant recipients awarded Workforce Training Fund Grants today (listed by community):

Agawam

Governors America Corporation was awarded \$128,800 to train 71 workers; 5 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Amesbury

ARC Technologies was awarded \$87,925 to train 154 workers; 5 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Amherst

Amherst Machine was awarded \$39,370 to train 11 workers; 1 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Attleboro Falls

Distron Corporation was awarded \$139,698 to train 64 workers; 15 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Auburn

Micorp was awarded \$80,000 to train 68 workers by 2020.

Avon

Controller Service & Sales was awarded \$38,850 to train 20 workers; 4 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Bedford

Amptek was awarded \$84,000 to train 31 workers; 2 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Boston

BrooklineBancorp was awarded \$239,660 to train 366 workers; 8 additional jobs are expected by 2020. This grant was awarded to a consortium of businesses which also includes Brookline Bank (Boston) and First Ipswich Bank (Boston).

Corcoran Jennison Management Company was awarded \$92,056 to train 214 workers; 10 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Ellenzweig was awarded \$140,700 to train 44 workers; 14 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Guardian Healthcare was awarded \$205,810 to train 167 workers; 15 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

LaVoie Health Science was awarded \$22,392 to train 13 workers; 1 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Rue La La was awarded \$250,000 to train 214 workers; 51 additional jobs are expected by 2020. This grant was awarded to a consortium of businesses which also includes RetailConvergence.com (Boston).

Boston Interactive was awarded \$127,573 to train 45 workers; 10 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

U.S. Green Building Council Massachusetts was awarded \$249,588 to train 264 workers; 25 additional jobs are expected by 2020. This grant was awarded to a consortium of businesses which also includes Elkus Manfredi Architects (Boston), ICO Energy Engineering (Boston), Kalin Associates (Newton), and The Green Engineer (Concord).

East Harwich

Polhemus Savery DaSilva was awarded \$66,495 to train 39 workers; 4 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Gardner

BMP Medical was awarded \$89,600 to train 48 workers; 3 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Hanson

President Titanium was awarded \$58,110 to train 20 workers; 1 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Holyoke

Meridian Industrial Group was awarded \$58,180 to train 22 workers; 1 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Ruwac USA was awarded \$63,990 to train 28 workers; 1 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Hudson

New City Microcreamery & Less Than Greater Than was awarded \$36,400 to train 18 workers; 3 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Saliga Machine Company was awarded \$34,200 to train 5 workers; 4 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Hyannis

The Cooperative Bank of Cape Cod was awarded \$55,750 to train 35 workers; 2 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Sepley Wood Products was awarded \$169,814 to train 156 workers; 16 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Leominster

Spectro Coating Corp. was awarded \$185,750 to train 71 workers; 3 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Lynn

Hauthaway Corporation was awarded \$95,900 to train 19 workers; 9 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Marlborough

Holographix was awarded \$36,400 to train 14 workers; 5 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Kaz USA was awarded \$190,050 to train 65 workers; 8 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Medford

Language Scientific was awarded \$172,900 to train 43 workers; 15 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Methuen

ULVAC Technologies was awarded \$96,000 to train 34 workers; 3 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Middleborough

Warren Environmental was awarded \$33,360 to train 8 workers; 1 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Middleton

Salem Metal was awarded \$127,400 to train 51 workers; 9 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

New Bedford

Acushnet Company was awarded \$224,635 to train 187 workers; 20 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Five Star Surgical was awarded \$15,946 to train 8 workers; 3 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

HTP Comfort Solutions was awarded \$203,450 to train 86 workers; 6 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Morgan Advanced Materials was awarded \$132,240 to train 48 workers; 2 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Newburyport

Arwood Machine was awarded \$134,825 to train 82 workers; 15 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Newton

C & K Components was awarded \$238,784 to train 60 workers; 5 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

North Attleboro

Checon Corporation was awarded \$81,200 to train 34 workers; 5 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

North Billerica

Aved Electronics was awarded \$170,645 to train 105 workers; 5 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Orleans

Training Wheels of New England was awarded \$35,625 to train 35 workers; 6 additional jobs are expected

by 2020.

Peabody

HTS Engineering was awarded \$65,800 to train 24 workers; 9 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Pittsfield

Moldmaster Engineering was awarded \$58,250 to train 24 workers; 1 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Pocasset

Onset Computer Corporation was awarded \$65,500 to train 101 workers; 5 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Quincy

J. Calnan & Associates was awarded \$134,480 to train 102 workers; 15 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Randolph

M.D. Stetson Co. was awarded \$13,000 to train 33 workers; 2 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Rockland

Polymer Corporation was awarded \$173,000 to train 114 workers; 20 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Somerset

Gladding-Hearn Shipbuilding was awarded \$186,500 to train 89 workers; 8 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Southwick

Whalley Precision was awarded \$58,215 to train 23 workers; 1 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Springfield

Dakin Humane Society was awarded \$44,400 to train 16 workers; 2 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Stoneham

T&T Anodizing was awarded \$41,080 to train 12 workers; 2 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Taunton

Mechanics Cooperative Bank was awarded \$176,650 to train 94 workers; 6 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Tyngsboro

C&C Machine was awarded \$193,760 to train 38 workers; 5 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Wakefield

Innovent was awarded \$84,740 to train 17 workers; 3 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

West Bridgewater

Sharp Manufacturing was awarded \$18,600 to train 8 workers; 2 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

West Springfield

Package Printing Company was awarded \$56,510 to train 20 workers; 1 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Valentine Plating was awarded \$59,920 to train 26 workers; 1 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Whitman

T&K Asphalt Services was awarded \$122,650 to train 45 workers; 7 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Wilmington

Analog Devices was awarded \$249,700 to train 540 workers by 2020.

L3-SSG was awarded \$238,905 to train 44 workers; 23 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Monogram Foods was awarded \$72,035 to train 35 workers; 25 additional jobs are expected by 2020.

Woburn

Custom Machine was awarded \$83,780 to train 61 workers by 2020.

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